Export from IT enabled industry

345. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total export from India of the IT enabled Industry like Medical Transcription, data entries etc., during last three years;

(b) whether Government will consider Information Technology enabled industry at par with IT industry and encourage its growth; and

(c) which are the countries that are interested in the IT enabled Industry?

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) According to information available, export from India of IT Enabled Industry is as below:-

Year	Export (Rs. Crores)
1996-97	250
1997-98	440
1998-99	780

(b) The Government of India recognises IT Enabled services as a key opportunity area for export growth and has been giving priority to this sector at par with the Software services.

(c) Whilst most of the countries are interested in IT enabled services, this sector is presently dominated by the U.S.A., Europe, Japan and Australia.

Labour working in organised and unorganised sectors

†346. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH: SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the total number of labourers is 2860 lac in the country, out of which the number of labourers working in the organised sector is 270 lac;

(b) if not, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the economic as well as social plight of the labourers working in the unorganised sector is very pitiable; and

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto and the details of future plan which has been formulated by Government to improve the plight of this section?

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